THE HOWARD SCHOOL

# Sixth Form
# Dress Code Expectations
# 2026/2027

# The Howard School Sixth Form – Dress Code Policy

At The Howard School, Sixth Form students are role models for the community and are expected to uphold high standards of dress so that students in Years 7 - 11 follow their example.

Sixth Form students have a responsibility to set a good example to and command the respect of younger students and the local community. We therefore expect our Sixth Form students to maintain consistently high standards of dress. We require all Sixth Form students to be smart in appearance, which expresses our students' self- confidence, pride and sense of the standards expected in professional workplaces.

Extremes of fashion are not acceptable in a school with younger students. No denim, leather or faux leather is permitted to be worn. The Sixth Form Team reserve the right to decide what is considered appropriate. Students wearing inappropriate dress may be sent home to change by a senior member of staff.

All students must abide by the following guidelines. Persistent disregard for the dress code may result in the withdrawal of your sixth form place.

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**Dress Code:**

- Collared Polo Shirt for male / female students. One small discreet logo permitted.
- No trainers and no jeans.
- Students are permitted to wear a shirt / tie and formal suit should they wish to do so.
- Female students can wear short or long sleeved blouses.
- Smart, thin jumpers / cardigans may be worn in the Autumn Term. One small discreet logo is permitted.
- Hooded tops are permitted but hoods should be down and all tops should not display large logos or motifs.
- Strappy tops and T-shirts are not acceptable. Tops must not reveal the midriff or underwear.
- No three quarter length trousers, legging or jean type trousers.
- Skirts must be workplace appropriate.
- Dresses must be workplace appropriate.
- During term 6, or extreme heat students are permitted to wear smart Chino/tailored shorts and smart trainers (single colour). This change will be monitored and removed if being abused.

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**Dress Code: Examples of acceptable clothing**

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**Footwear**

- Formal footwear must be worn.
- Smart, flat shoes or heels may be worn with skirts.
- Boots should only be worn with trousers. Platforms/trainers are not permitted.
- Formal, smart, dark coloured and sturdy shoes or boots.
- Trainers are not permitted.

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**Footwear that is not permitted**

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- Smart, flat shoes or heels may be worn with skirts.
- Boots should only be worn with trousers. Platforms/trainers are not permitted.
- Formal, smart, dark coloured and sturdy shoes or boots.
- Trainers are not permitted, except for Term 6 with tailored shorts.

# The Howard School Sixth Form Term 6/ hot weather

**Chino/Tailored Shorts**

**Footwear**

- Smart trainers
- One colour

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## Jewellery

- Plain, simple and discreet jewellery is allowed.

## Piercings

- Ear piercing and one nose piercing are permitted.

All watches must be removed for practical lessons and no watch of any type will be allowed during examinations.
The school is not responsible for any loss or damage to any items that you choose to bring onto the premises.

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## Hair

- Hair must be of a natural colour. Hair styles should be appropriate for a professional working environment

### Lanyards and ID Badges

- Lanyards and ID badges are part of the uniform at The Howard School and must be worn and visible at all times

**All students must carry:**

- School bag designed to hold A4 folders and exercise books
- Required equipment for lessons
- Sixth Form diary
- Lanyard / ID badge

Anyone arriving at school in inappropriate clothing can expect to be sent home (once communicated with parents/carers) to change